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REMARKS

Claims 1-20 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,685,143. The Applicants thank the Examiner for bring their attention to this and submit that they are willing to sign a terminal disclaimer in the instant application upon Notice of Allowance.

Claims 1-2, and 4-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Meier et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,989,810). Applicants have cancelled Claims 2-7, and have amended Claim 1 to include all the limitations of Claim 3. The Applicants submit that this rejection is now moot.

Conclusion:

The Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and that action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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